

# OATH, POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND PETITION

Joint

Being duly sworn, We, Thomas P. Hanschen, Dennis L. Krueger, and Gregory P. Karp depose and say  
that: (1) we are citizens of the United States of America, residing respectively at the City of St. Paul, County of Ramsey, State of Minnesota; City of Hudson, County of St. Croix, State of Wisconsin; the City of Brooklyn Park, County of Hennepin, State of Minnesota; (2) we have reviewed and understand the contents of attached specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to herein, and we verify believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventors or discoverers of the invention or discovery in

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described and claimed therein and for which a patent is sought; (3) we do not know and do not believe that this invention or discovery was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention or discovery thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention or discovery thereof, or more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; (4) this invention or discovery has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months before this application; (5) we hereby acknowledge our duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office information we are aware of which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a)\*; and (6) no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention or discovery has been filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States of America.

We hereby appoint Donald M. Sell (Reg. No. 17,324), John C. Barnes (Reg. No. 20,278), Walter N. Kirn (Reg. No. 21,196), Roger R. Tamte (Reg. No. 21,093), Terryl K. Qualey (Reg. No. 25,148), Warren R. Bovee (Reg. No. 26,434) and William J. Bond (Reg. No. 32,400) our attorneys with full powers (including the powers of appointment, substitution, and revocation) to prosecute this application and any division, continuation, continuation-in-part, reexamination, or reissue thereof, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; the mailing address and the telephone number of the above-mentioned attorneys are

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Wherefore, we pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the attached specification and we hereby subscribe our names to the foregoing specification and claims, oath, power of attorney, and this petition, this

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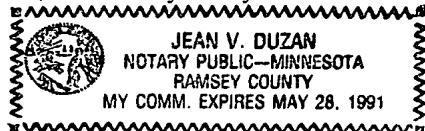
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Before me personally appeared Thomas P. Hanschen, Dennis L. Krueger, and Gregory P. Karp, to me known to be the persons described in the above application for patent, who signed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and made oath before me to the allegations set forth therein as being under oath, on the day and year aforesaid.

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